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FIFTY CENTS



Gary and Pat Crader of Mitchell search for bargains at the Granite City Wal-Mart during last year's after-Christmas shopping blitz.

## Retailers ready for next day

Relaxed crowds and better moods highlight shopping

The dust barely settles from the Christmas unwrapping frenzy when another fever takes over: day after shopping.

Area retailers are gearing up for day after Christmas crowds. Whether it's to return an unwanted gift or just take advantage of the seasonal sales, lines are sure to be long.

Fairview Heights' St. Clair Square marketing director Diana Padgett

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Diana Padgett  
 St. Clair Square marketing director

expects crowds in the mall today, but without the frantic rush of Christmas. "It's more of a festive time," she predicted. "Everyone's rested and looking forward to spending their Christmas money." The timing is good for the day-after-Christmas trip to the mall. "This particular year is Sunday and we're opening at 8 a.m. A lot of people attended church on Christmas Day or Christmas Eve, so we're

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## Chemetco trial set to start in January

Proceedings expected to take 4-5 weeks

By Kerry Smith  
 Staff writer

Jan. 11th is the date set for the start of a conspiracy-to-pollute trial that revolves around 10 years of secrecy at the copper smelter near Hartford known as Chemetco.

The crux of the case is the government's allegation that Chemetco managers and maintenance superin-

tendents regularly discharged pollutants into Long Lake from a secret pipe over a 10-year period from Sept. 1986 through Sept. 1996.

Chemetco's alleged actions were discovered by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency in 1996. U.S. District Court Judge William Stahl will preside over the trial, which is expected to take place three days per week for a period for at least four or five weeks. The trial will include six defense attorneys and

Assistant U.S. Attorney Michael Quinley as the government's prosecutor.

St. Louis Attorney Bruce Cook is representing Chemetco Inc.

Individual defendants and former Chemetco maintenance superintendents being represented are: Gary L. Reed, who worked as Chemetco's maintenance superintendent from 1988-93, represented by Madison County area attorney John

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## Tree-cycling available now

Dozens of drop-off sites open throughout the area

By Nicole Vaughn  
 Staff writer

Christmas has only just passed, but it won't be long before holiday decorations must come down.

For those who put up live trees this year, the Madison County Building, Zoning and Environmental Department can help. No, they won't take down or pack your ornaments, but

**"Don't bring them with decorations; try and clear the tree as much as possible."**

Denise McClearey  
 County's solid waste coordinator

they will take the tree once you've removed those items. "Don't bring them with decorations; try and clear the tree as much as possible," said Denise McClearey, the county's solid waste coordinator. "And please, no pine wreaths or roping - just trees."

Dozens of drop-off sites are available throughout the county. The service is free. McClearey said residents should place their trees in

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## Local students help spread holiday cheer

Artwork decorates nursing home

By Michael Heil  
 Staff writer

Brightly colored pictures of Christmas cheer are hanging in the hallway at Colonnades Nursing Home in Granite City, thanks to several talented students from

Niedringhaus Elementary School.

"They cheer up the residents and brighten their holidays," said Kelly Martin, administrator of Colonnades. "Our residents don't often get an opportunity to get out of the Christmas decorations."

Three third-grade classes, representing a little more than 60 students, participated in the Colonnades

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Three students from Niedringhaus Elementary School received gift certificates for pictures they drew for residents at Colonnades Nursing Home in Granite City. The winners are Brittanie Griffith, Meghan Hilmes and Andrew Lancaster.

## Downtown continues redevelopment plans

State building headed to Madison Ave.

By Michael Heil  
 Staff writer

Granite City continues to aggressively revamp its downtown area. A new Walgreens is being constructed on 20th and Madison.

After the first of the year, a new state building will be built in close proximity of it.

Granite City Mayor Ron Selph said Tuesday that the city had secured the state building.

"This means there will be more people working and coming into the downtown area as part of the city's continuation for redevelopment in that area," Selph said.

Dan Brown, director of

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 DECEMBER 31 DOWNTOWN

# Venice store clerk lucks out

Suspect's gun misfires during robbery attempt

By Scott Cousins  
Staff writer

A Venice convenience store clerk got an early Christmas present when a robber's gun misfired early Thursday morning.

At about 3:40 a.m. Thursday, a black male wearing a red sock hat attempted to rob the Moto Mart at 1104 South Fourth Street in Venice.

After attempting to fire his gun at the clerk, the robber fled in a "dark-colored" van driven by a white male. Police said there are no suspects in the case.

According to reports, officers were notified about the robbery at about 3:40 a.m. While heading to the scene, one of the officers saw a vehicle matching the description of the getaway van northbound on Illinois 3. He stopped the vehicle, but the driver did not match the suspect's description and was released.

At the store, the clerk said that the suspect came in and asked for a pack of cigarettes. The clerk said he did not think anything of the suspect wearing the hat because it was cold, but when he asked the suspect to remove it, the suspect pulled a "small semi-automatic" handgun and demanded money.

The clerk told police that he initially thought it was a joke, but then the robber

attempted to shoot the clerk, but the gun misfired. The robber attempted to shoot again, and then fled. The vehicle was described as a blue-colored van with Illinois plates. The first three numbers on the plates were 144.

In an unrelated incident, a Venice man reported that he was shot at during an argument over money.

The victim said that at about 3:20 p.m. Thursday, he was washing his car in the 100 block of Baucum when two men came up to him, and one of the men threatened to shoot him and pulled a "22 caliber" gun. The victim started running away, and heard at least one shot, but was unsure who had fired at him.

He identified the two men, but would not cooperate further with police.

# Downtown continues redevelopment

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economic development for the city of Granite City, said the building will be a morale boost.

"We are particularly pleased that this project will return a number of workers to our downtown area. For retail to have a chance to survive and flourish in any downtown, you must have people in a downtown area on a daily basis."

The 25,000 square foot, one story structure will be located on the corner of 19th Street and Madison Avenue and will house offices for the Illinois State Health and Human Services Department. The facility, tentatively set to be completed by April or May 2000, will cost about \$2 million and developed by Larry R.



Submitted photo

A rendering of the new state building.

Manns and constructed by Limbaugh Construction. Seventy-five to 100 people will be employed at the facility.

Brown said the facility and the new Walgreens will have a positive effect on restaurants and merchants in the area and will take away two eyesores along Madison Avenue and turn them into positives features for the rejuvenated downtown district.

"The building will add business to the city and give it a professional look," Brown said. "The city has tried to secure a state building for about 10 years."

While the state chose the site at 19th and Madison, officials also looked at an area near Granite City Industrial Park and by old Tri-Mor Lanes and along 20th and Adams and Maryville Road.

# Former Granite City attorney pleads guilty to federal fraud charge

By Scott Cousins  
Staff writer

A former attorney who practiced law in Granite City pleaded guilty to one count of fraud Monday in federal court.

According to prosecutors, the former attorney, Charles Ivan "Chas" Weitzman of Edwardsville, took between \$70,000 and \$120,000 from a trust fund for a personal injury claim.

On Monday, Weitzman pleaded guilty to one count of wire fraud. He faces a

maximum penalty of up to five years in prison, a fine of up to \$250,000 and up to three years supervised release.

Sentencing has been scheduled for 1:30 p.m. March 24 by U.S. District Judge William Stehl.

A stipulation filed at the time of the guilty plea

showed that Weitzman received his law license in May 1973, and that he practiced primarily in Granite City.

Prosecutors said the conviction stems from the embezzlement of a trust fund held for a personal injury victim represented by

Weitzman in a case in the Madison County Circuit Court.

Weitzman allegedly submitted false documents representing the value of the trust fund while withdrawing money for his own personal use without the victim's knowledge.

Weitzman was stripped of his law license by the Illinois Supreme Court in November 1998.

The case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Hal Goldsmith.

# First Night celebration to feature photo contest

First Night organizers are looking for the best photos that capture the end of one millennium and the beginning of a new one.

The First Night alcohol-free millennium party is scheduled for Dec. 31 in downtown St. Louis.

As part of this year's First Night gala, the photo contest will include a variety of categories, including best millennium photo, most artistic photo, funniest photo, photo showing the most people and best overall photo.

The First Night photo contest is sponsored by Wolf Camera, the Suburban Journals and Town Planner.

The grand prize for the best overall photo is a 35mm camera and a year of free film processing. In addition, the best overall photo will be published in the 2001 edition of the St. Louis Town Planner calendar.

In addition, first prize in each of the categories is an 8-by-10-inch photo enlargement with a frame. Twenty-five runner-up entries will receive an 8-by-10-inch photo

enlargement. Eligible photos must be taken during the First Night celebration on Dec. 31, and must contain some element that clearly identifies the photo as being taken during the evening.

Photos, which may be in color or black-and-white, may be no larger than 8-by-10 inches, and must include a First Night 2000 entry form, which currently are available at Wolf Camera and also will be placed in several places during First Night.

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## News

## Obituaries

## Robert Gehlert

**ROBERT W. GEHLERT** of Virginia Beach, Va., formerly of Granite City, died Saturday, Dec. 11, 1999, at St. Luke's Hospital West in St. Louis.

A resident of Virginia Beach for 10 years, Mr. Gehlert retired from a corporate career before becoming a business consultant in Hampton Roads, Va. He was a Paul Harris Fellow with the Cape Henry Rotary Club, a member of the Broad Bay Sailing Association and a past member of the Hampton Roads Chamber of Commerce.

Survivors include his wife, Beverly Gehlert; a son, David Gehlert of Denver; a daughter, Barbara Lederer of London, England; a brother, James Gehlert of St. Louis and three grandchildren, William Ward, Anne Levett and Reine Marie, all of London.

Services were Dec. 16 at Holloom-Brown/Boyside Funeral Home in Virginia Beach.

Memorials to the American Stroke Association at (800) 242-8721 are suggested.

## Alvin Brandes

**ALVIN J. BRANDES**, 75, of Glen Carbon, died Wednesday, Dec. 23, 1999, at St. Luke's Hospital West in St. Louis.

He was born Jan. 18, 1924, in Granite City. Mr. Brandes was a U.S. Army veteran. He was a shift commander for the Granite City Fire Department.

He is survived by a son, Edward Brandes of Marquette; two grandchildren, Steven Brandes and John Brandes and two great-grandchildren, Christian Brandes and Arelle Brandes.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Marilyn (Steinberg) Brandes and his parents, Arthur and Ivy (Libbert) Brandes.

Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Sunday at Werner-Mick Funeral Home in Granite City. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Monday at the funeral home with the Rev. Alan Redfern officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Edwardsville.

## Charles E. Canady

**CHARLES E. CANADY**, 62, of Pontoon Beach, died at 11:03 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 19, 1999, at his residence.

He was born Sept. 24, 1937, in Alton. Mr. Canady was an accountant for Accu-Glass Company. He was a member of Second Baptist Church in Granite City.

He is survived by a son, Robert Canady of Sorrento; two daughters, Lynda Goeller of Pontoon Beach and Amy Dill of Maple Creek, Mo.; a sister, Shirley Mitchell of Collinsville and four grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ernest R. and Frances E. (Henson) Canady.

Funeral services were Wednesday at Werner-Mick Funeral Home in Granite City with the Rev. Gus Falter officiating. Burial was in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Edwardsville.

Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Sunday at Werner-Mick Funeral Home in Granite City. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Monday at the funeral home with the Rev. Alan Redfern officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Edwardsville.

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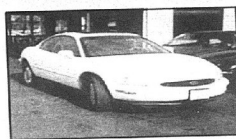
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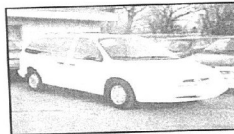
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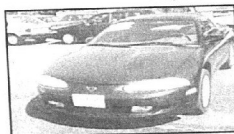
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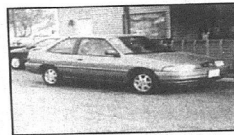
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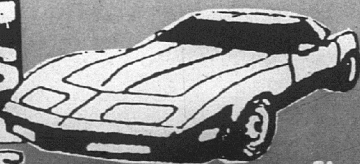
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Edwardsville attorney Bill Lucco; and Bruce W. Hendrickson, plant manager from 1991-98, represented by Clayton, Missouri attorney Bert Shostak. On May 10, each defendant was charged with conspiracy under Sections 2 and 371 of United States Code 18. All defendants pleaded not guilty except for Chemetco, which did not enter a plea. The court entered a not-guilty plea for the manufacturer.

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Tell me, where can you buy these things? They are given from a true heart only to those whose love has earned them. So let us thank our Heavenly Father for such love and give to Him the gift that money cannot buy.

Money is not even in God's thinking. It's of no value to Him. As Saint Peter said to the lame man, "Silver and gold have I none, but what I have I give you—rise up and

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King David gave God the only gift acceptable—his heart. You can give this greatest of all possible gifts this Christmas. This is the present God treasures above all and it is the only gift the Bible says the angels rejoice over. Can you give the most valuable

gift that money cannot buy? If you dare to do so you will receive the greatest gift in return—the treasure of eternal life.

The joy begins fragile and small like a tiny baby in a manger. As time goes on and you give God priority over all aspects of your life, the delight grows and matures into lifelong rejoicing in the wonder of a joyful life as a living testimony to God, happy and free.

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The greatest blessing to me is that you will make it number one on your list also. If you make it so, I know you will have the most blessed and joyous holidays of your life.

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## Xplorers find game vs. Illinois Warriors

### Captain shines as Marquette posts shutout

By Rick Broome  
 Staff writer

It took a while, but the goals finally started to come. Unfortunately for the Illinois Warriors, the puck was dropping into their own net.

**CLUB ICE HOCKEY**

The Warriors lost a 4-0 decision to Northern Division foe Alton Marquette in Mississippi Valley Club Hockey Association play Wednesday night in Wilson Park.

The second period progressed with two zeroes on the scoreboard, but Marquette's Barry Schrank took care of the first strike with less than a minute to play in the stanza.

Andy Schulz got the second goal less than 20 seconds later for the Xplorers.

"I think when they got the first one it let us down," Warriors coach Paul Solberger said. "But I wasn't happy with the effort tonight. We got beat too many loose pucks. We didn't bring our 'A' game. Maybe they were thinking about Christmas or something, but they sure weren't thinking about hockey, and the effort wasn't there. It wasn't the same effort that we have had all year consistently."

Xplorers captain Scott Werner wasted no time

in making it 3-0. With just 1:39 gone in the third, Werner skated to the right of the Warriors' net and sent the puck from an impossibly sharp angle past Warriors netminder Brandon Rollins. Werner added another tally eight minutes later.

"We have picked up our game and been able to bounce back when we have been down," Solberger said. "But tonight we came out and we were flat. Marquette kept working hard. I give them credit—they beat us."

"We don't have any excuses. They just outskated us and outplayed us, and there is no way that should be. We are a better hockey team than them. We had beaten them both times we have played them."

"Our goaltending played to the level of the team that was playing out in front of them," Solberger said. "It wasn't a good effort from almost anybody. There was nobody with the exception of Luke Forrester, Dustin (Wesley), David (Svezia) and Billy Cahill who worked. Everybody else didn't. Luke Forrester was flying. He was by far the best player on the ice. He had some big hits, he did some nice work out on the ice, and he came ready to play."

The Warriors fell to 6-3 but stayed in first place

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John Stordahl (6) and the Warriors did not score against Alton Marquette on Wednesday.

Tim Stephenson photo

## Meszaros aims for MVCHA title

### League's top scorer also earns points for savvy, leadership, unselfish play

By Rick Broome  
 Staff writer

In the world of the Mississippi Valley Club Hockey Association, Bobby Meszaros is a big fish on a frozen pond.

**CLUB ICE HOCKEY**

Since he broke into the league with the rest of the Warriors three years ago, Meszaros has been burning the MVCHA nets. He scored his 50th career regular-season goal last week in a 5-2 victory vs. Cahokia.

"He has a lot of experience," Warriors coach Paul Solberger said. "He has played some elite hockey. He is one of the leaders on the team, and we go to his senior leadership. His experience is great. He can probably play any position on the ice, with the exception of goalie, and do it as well as any player in the league."

Through nine games, Meszaros has scored 10 goals and dished out 14 assists. His 24 points tie Bethalto's Jim Rogers' output for first place in the MVCHA scoring race.

But personal glory has taken a backseat to a sense of urgency for team success.

"This year, the core that started the team three years ago are all seniors," Meszaros said. "We know it is our last season to do it. It's this year or never."

Meszaros and the Warriors fell considerably short of repeating as Class AA champions after

winning the title in 1997-98.

"Last year we didn't have that sense of urgency in the playoffs," said Meszaros, whose club ended ending the regular season in first place in the Northern Division. "We were a little lackadaisical and lost in the first round to Edwardsville. This year, we know it is our last shot."

Around Wilson Park Ice Rink, it is time for redemption.

"It's always hard to repeat, to come back and keep that intensity flowing," Solberger said. "This year we are in first place, ahead of where we thought we would be at this point. We fully expect to win the championship. We have the experience to do it, and Bobby brings the leadership."

One statistic that the scoring sheet may not fully explain is the responsibility Meszaros carries.

"I still personally have to get goals scored and plays set up," Meszaros said. "A lot of the guys are younger this year. We are the big guys, and we have to get it done every game. If we don't get it done every game, we aren't going to win."

"Our line, with John (Stordahl) and Brett (Solberger) and myself, if that line doesn't get it done, then we aren't going to do too well."

Overall, Meszaros has impressed his coach with the mental aspects of the game.

"He is a big playmaker," Solberger said. "Teams have a



Granite City senior Bobby Meszaros feels a sense of urgency this year.

tendency to converge on Bobby, and he is smart enough to dish the puck, find Brett or Johnny, and set them up. He is a big part of our success."

Meszaros also heads a power-play unit which often sets the Warriors apart from other teams in the Northern Division.

"I would say that the power play is one of our biggest attributes," Meszaros said. "Our coach, Doug Seuss, came in a few years ago and set up the power play and penalty kill. I

think we have the best special teams in the league."

Solberger said Meszaros makes those units dangerous.

"Bobby is an integral part of the power play," Solberger said. "He is the set-up man. A lot of times, we move Bobby back to the point, and he can get things going."

"If they are playing soft, if they give him room, he will move in and shoot. But the big thing is that he will make the key pass. His head is up and he

sees the ice real well. Bobby is always the one making that big pass."

As the second half of the MVCHA season gets under way, the Warriors' star keeps a team-first attitude front and center.

"As long as we are winning games, I'm not really too worried about personal points," Meszaros said. "Last year I set a goal to get 50 points, and I ended up getting 49. So I would just like

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## Sophs sail after loss in opener

Warriors post 8-1 mark

By Rick Broome  
 Staff writer

The sophomore class of gridiron Warriors have put their stamp on the future of

**SOPHOMORE FOOTBALL**

The youth brigade ended the season 8-1. But what ended with a bang began with a whimper.

"We started off the season losing 16-14 to Cahokia," Warriors defensive coordinator Greg Garland said. "That was our first game. At the beginning of the year we were working with different groups (Offensive coordinator) Carl (Luehmann) and I didn't have a whole lot of time to work with the kids and get them prepared for that game."

Cahokia had just the same amount of time to prepare for that game as we did, but we felt like if we would have had another week or 10 days, we would have beaten them. It was one of those situations where the better team didn't win."

But after that hiccup, it was victory city for the Warriors.

"The rest of the year we pretty much blew everybody else out of the park, with the exception of Edwardsville," Garland said. "We came back and beat them 47. We scored a touchdown and made the two-point conversion to win the game at the end of the game. Other than that, the rest of the teams we beat pretty handily."

The stars show were by nature young. But even the first-year starters contributed.

"We had a freshman running back, Brian Beyrau," Garland said. "He came up and stepped in and was our tailback. He did a lot of things. He was versatile, and Coach Luehmann used him that way. At the same time we had a good fullback in Nathan Bernaux, who was a good blocking back as well. He made a lot of holes for Beyrau to run through."

Behind center the coaches had a choice of strong-armed gunners.

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## Kahoks welcome holiday hoopla after disappointing loss

Host Collinsville hopes to use tournament to get back on track

By Brian Bretsch  
 Staff writer

There is no denying something special happens to the Collinsville boys basketball team during the annual Collinsville/Schnucks Holiday Classic.

**PREP BOYS BASKETBALL**

It seems the Kahoks annually come together and come into their own at the holiday tournament, which begins its 16th run on Tuesday.

"It takes time for a team to find its personality and roles," Collinsville coach

Bob Bone said. "The preseason has been cut down so much. When I played, it started either Oct. 1 or Oct. 15. Now we've got so much to cover in such a short time. It just takes them a while to understand to what they are doing."

Collinsville comes into the 1999 Holiday Classic seeking to get on track. The Kahoks have a 4-3 record and are coming off a disappointing 68-48 loss to Centralia on Dec. 18. Collinsville has been up and down—winning its first two games at the Washington (Mo.) St. Francis Borgia tournament before losing to the host, then losing to East St. Louis, rallying past

Edwardsville, pounding Naval Jr. ROTC and losing to Centralia.

"I think the big thing we need to work on is our intensity level and playing hard," Bone said. "We haven't done that consistently. We have to guard people. We're trying to stress playing defense with more purpose and just playing better."

After the victory against Edwardsville on Dec. 10, Bone thought the Kahoks had a shot to ride a winning streak into the tournament. But he was not pleased with the performance on Centralia.

The Kahoks open the tournament 8:30 p.m. Tuesday against Madison (1-6).

The Trojans' only victory was a 53-52 decision against Berkeley (Mo.) on Dec.

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3. Three of Madison's six losses have been by eight points or less.

The winner of the Collinsville-Madison game faces St. Louis University High or O'Fallon at 8:30 p.m. Wednesday in the quarterfinal round.

## Sports

## Prep bowling

## Girls basketball results

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Collinsville's Amy Loftus (left) and Katie Vieluf (right) combined for 33 points in the Kahoks' 69-34 victory against Alton last Monday night. The Kahoks improved to 14-1, 4-0 in the Southwestern Conference, and next play on Jan. 5 against Granite City.

High Scratch Game				High Scratch Series			
Andy Poulos, Granite City			256	Ashley Reynolds, Granite City			601
Chris Poulos, Granite City			256	Bernie Bryant, Belleville East			601
Chris Poulos, Belleville East			254	Michelle Bryant, Belleville East			601
John Johnson, Belleville East			254	Toni Gault, Granite City			622
Ashley Reynolds, Granite City			254	Whitney Co. Ator			622
High Average				Last Week's Best			
Ashley Reynolds, Granite City			185.3	High Game			Andy Poulos - 275
Chris Poulos, Belleville East			185.0	High Series			Ashley Reynolds - 675
James Havel, Belleville East			187.7	Team High Game			Granite City - 675
Chris Poulos, Belleville East			186.4	Team High Series			Granite City - 675
Chris Poulos, Belleville East			185.5	Most Points Over Avg.			Sarah Johnson - 178
High Team Game				High Team Series			
Belleville East			832	Belleville East			2,308
Granite City			817	Granite City			2,215
Belleville West			791	Clifford			2,149
Belleville West			782	Marquison			2,097
Belleville West			771	Colonyville			2,087
Boxed Variety				High Game/High Series			
W	L	P	Pins	W	L	P	Pins
<b>Jivision A (Cahokia)</b>							
Belleville	2	0	1,000	11,463	764	517	2,359
Granite City	1	1	667	10,959	763	512	2,312
Washington	2	0	667	10,929	777	595	2,407
Granite City	1	1	632	12,240	765	512	2,162
Belleville	2	0	662	12,210	605	706	1,491
<b>Jivision B (BWC)</b>							
W	L	P	Pins	W	L	P	Pins
Granite City	1	1	833	19,347	806	510	2,211
Belleville	2	0	830	15,755	763	512	2,450
Belleville West	1	2	803	13,556	759	502	2,407
Granite City	1	1	802	14,035	772	512	2,505
Belleville	0	3	800	11,763	754	502	1,499
<b>Jivision C (St. Clair)</b>							
W	L	P	Pins	W	L	P	Pins
Granite City	1	0	500	13,849	765	502	2,415
Belleville	2	1	750	13,697	759	512	2,415
Belleville	2	0	800	13,161	737	514	2,431
Belleville	2	0	833	13,517	752	515	2,485
Belleville	1	1	800	13,518	748	502	2,485
<b>Jivision D (Madison)</b>							
W	L	P	Pins	W	L	P	Pins
Granite City	1	0	1,000	19,913	813	512	2,415
Belleville	2	0	1,000	9,203	613	636	1,889
Belleville	2	0	800	9,917	642	636	1,889
Belleville	2	0	800	10,738	641	707	1,917

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Katie McClary	0	0	1	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	1	0	1	1	0	2	0
Totals	68	27	53	50.94	0	0	0.00	11	18	0	0.00	12	10	26	7	21	8
Dec. 20																	
Edwardsville	8	17	11	12	1	0	0.00	44	31	38	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Edwardsville	8	17	11	12	1	0	0.00	44	31	38	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
PTS	FG	FT	3P	FT	3P	FT	3P	FT	3P	FT	3P	FT	3P	FT	3P	FT	3P
Edwardsville	1	3	1	0.00	0	0	0.00	8	22	33	2	4	1	16	7	9	1
Julie Brown	1	3	1	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Julie Brown	1	3	1	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rebecca Farned	4	2	3	66.67	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rebecca Farned	4	2	3	66.67	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Erin Gustafson	2	1	1	100.00	0	0	0.00	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Erin Gustafson	2	1	1	100.00	0	0	0.00	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Michelle Thompson	2	1	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Michelle Thompson	2	1	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Karin Bevis	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Karin Bevis	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stephanie Frazer	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stephanie Frazer	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Laurie McCarty	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Laurie McCarty	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Anna Hattner	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Anna Hattner	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Christina Tomazakis	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Christina Tomazakis	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	48	17	14	50.00	0	0	0.00	14	7	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	48	17	14	50.00	0	0	0.00	14	7	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PTS	FG	FT	3P	FT	3P	FT	3P	FT	3P	FT	3P	FT	3P	FT	3P	FT	3P
Alton	1	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Alton	1	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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## Boys basketball result

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BOYS BASKETBALL																	
Dec. 18																	
Collinsville Christian 62, Christian Outcast 44																	
Collinsville Christian 8 14 19 21 62																	
	PTS	FGFGA	FTFGA	3PTFGA	PCT	PTS	FGFGA	FTFGA	3PTFGA	PCT	FLTS	ASTS	TRBS	OFDFTS	PF		
Christian Outcast	21	25	42	56	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	5-45	5	2	0	13	21
Collinsville Christian	40	19	27	70	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	11-23	2	1	0	1	1
Acad. Robinson	9	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Acad. Robinson	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
David Kiskadee	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5-00	0	0	0	0	0
Eric Schumert	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	1	4	3
Johnny Greene	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Matthew Kuhn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Andy Mullen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eric Schumert	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Anthony Mullen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Scott MacIntosh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Zach MacIntosh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Christian Outcast	44	25	42	60	1	0	0	0	0	0	9	9-23	4	2	0	21	6
Collinsville Christian	44	19	27	70	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	11-23	2	1	0	1	1
Collinsville Christian	17	7	13	53	Dec. 17	St. Louis Christian	25	15	55	Collinsville Christian	45						
	PTS	FGFGA	FTFGA	3PTFGA	PCT	PTS	FGFGA	FTFGA	3PTFGA	PCT	FLTS	ASTS	TRBS	OFDFTS	PF		
St. Louis Christian	22	14	22	64	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	11-23	2	1	0		
Collinsville Christian	13	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Shaver	13	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	5-20	4	0	0		
Green	11	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	6-00	4	0	0		
Newton	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Collinsville Christian	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Collinsville Christian	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Bogan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Collinsville Christian	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Ellis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Kasson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Collinsville Christian	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
St. Louis Christian	45	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	5-20	10	0	0	0	0
Collinsville Christian	45	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	5-20	10	0	0	0	0
St. Louis Christian	12	2	18	33	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	6-37	3	4	12	6	3
Marco Gifford	10	2	18	33	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	6-37	3	4	12	6	3
Michael Allen	9	3	12	25	0	2	0	0	0	0	3	7-50	0	0	2	8	4
Steve Bornhardt	9	3	8	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tom Freeman	6	3	8	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	5-20	2	0	0	0	3
Carlson Green	6	3	8	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	3
Jeremiah Taylor	6	3	8	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	3
Danion Wallace	6	3	8	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	1	3	0	2
David Wallace	6	3	8	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
David Wallace	6	3	8	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Darrell Williams	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	5-20	0	0	0	0
David Williams	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	5-20	0	0	0	0
David Williams	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	5-20	0	0	0	0
David Williams	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	5-20	0	0	0	0
David Williams	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	5-20	0	0	0	0
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David Williams	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	5-20	0	0	0	0
David Williams	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	5-20	0	0	0	0
David Williams	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	5-20	0	0	0	0
David Williams	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	5-20	0	0	0	0
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David Williams	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	5-20	0	0	0	0
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David Williams	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	5-20	0	0	0	0
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David Williams	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	5-20	0	0	0	0
David Williams	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	5-20	0	0	0	0
David Williams	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	5-20	0	0	0	0
David Williams	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	5-20	0	0	0	0
David Williams	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	5-20	0	0	0	0
David Williams	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	5-20	0	0	0	0
David Williams	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	5-20	0	0	0	0
David Williams	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	5-20	0	0	0	0
David Williams	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	5-20	0	0	0	0
David Williams	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	5-20	0	0	0	0
David Williams	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	5-20	0	0	0	0
David Williams	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	5-20	0	0	0	0
David Williams	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	5-20	0	0	0	0
David Williams	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	5-20	0	0	0	0
David Williams	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	5-20	0	0	0	0
David Williams	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	5-20	0	0	0	0
David Williams	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	5-20	0	0	0	0
David Williams	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1						

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High Scratch Series		High Scratch Series	
Rosalee Marconi, Edgewoodville	232	Tessa Sanders, Macoulah	232
Tessa Sanders, Macoulah	211	Jackie Breen, Colvilleville	211
Jackie Breen, Colvilleville	205	Carlynn, City of Granite	205
Carlynn, City of Granite	208	Andrea Williams, Freeburg	208
Andrea Williams, Freeburg	205	Theresa Trent, Macoulah	205
Theresa Trent, Macoulah	205		
High Average		Last Week's Best	
Messine Mayne, Granite City	170.2	High Team	Rosalee Marconi
High Team	170.2	High Team	Rosalee Marconi
Granite City	166.0	Granite City	Granite City
Granite City	166.0	Granite City	Granite City
Tessa Sanders, Macoulah	161.1	Most Pins Over Avg	Rosalee Marconi
Andrea Williams, Freeburg	161.1		
High Team Game		High Team Series	
Colvilleville	995	O'Fallon	995
Colvilleville	980	Colvilleville	980
Granite City	945	Granite City	945
Granite City	945	Bellewille East	945
Bellewille West	930	Bellewille West	930

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Team		53	19	40	41.30	5	9:55.20	15	66.67	10	0	0	2	1	7	14
No. starts		Dance 21														
31. Louis Nave		RATED 72, Leveling 80														
Newell Jr. RIOC PTS		FGFGA	PCT	FGFGA	PCT	FT FTA	PCT	FT FTA	PCT	FT FTA	PCT	FT FTA	PCT	FT FTA	PCT	FT FTA
OK	Lowell Jr.	PTS	FGFGA	PCT	FGFGA	PCT	FT FTA	PCT	FT FTA	PCT	FT FTA	PCT	FT FTA	PCT	FT FTA	PCT
	Lowell Jr.	15	5	33.33	3	8	75.00	2	2	100.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00
	Ramon Pasquetti	15	5	33.33	3	8	75.00	2	2	100.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00
	W. J. Williams	15	5	33.33	3	8	75.00	2	2	100.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00
	Tracy	7	2	28.57	0	0	0.00	3	4	75.00	4	7.50	0	0	0.00	0
	W. J. Williams	15	5	33.33	3	8	75.00	2	2	100.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00
	Rayne Finner	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00
	Christopher Williams	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00
	Calvin Borders	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00
	Adrian Murray	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00
	Torrian Warren	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00
	Joe Williams	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00
	Total	50	19	40.373	3	15	20.00	11	64.51	15	12	16	20	11	2	14



## Girls basketball leaders

GIRLS BASKETBALL Metro East Statistics Scoring Leaders			
Name	School	Pts	Ave.
Enica Ragbelle	Dupo	329	25.3
Arny Loftus	Columbia	326	21.7
Gwen Smith	Freeburg	256	20.8
Laundra Brookfield	Madison	212	19.3
Laundra Brookfield	Madison	212	19.3
Lindsay Bruno	Freeburg	207	17.3
Jamie Lugo	Belleville W.	190	16.7
Stephanie Luch	Alton	180	14.0
Kayanna Taylor	Carthage	180	14.0
Christy Dado	Belleville E.	164	12.9
Jessica Hirsch	Valmeyer	118	14.8
Debra Jefferson	Carthage	148	11.8
Jessica Wallace	Granite City	205	15.6

Metro East Statistics Assist Leaders			
Name	School	Asst	Ave.
Yvette Winters	Carthage	74	7.2
Debra Jefferson	Carthage	74	7.2
Enica Ragbelle	Alton	68	6.8
Enica Ragbelle	Alton	68	6.8
Enica Ragbelle	Alton	68	6.8
Enica Ragbelle	Alton	68	6.8
Enica Ragbelle	Alton	68	6.8
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Enica Ragbelle	Alton	68	6.8

Metro East Statistics Steal Leaders			
Name	School	Stls	Ave.
Enica Ragbelle	Alton	48	4.8
Enica Ragbelle	Alton	48	4.8
Enica Ragbelle	Alton	48	4.8
Enica Ragbelle	Alton	48	4.8
Enica Ragbelle	Alton	48	4.8
Enica Ragbelle	Alton	48	4.8
Enica Ragbelle	Alton	48	4.8
Enica Ragbelle	Alton	48	4.8
Enica Ragbelle	Alton	48	4.8
Enica Ragbelle	Alton	48	4.8

Metro East Statistics Rebound Leaders			
Name	School	Reb	Ave.
Enica Ragbelle	Alton	62	6.2
Enica Ragbelle	Alton	62	6.2
Enica Ragbelle	Alton	62	6.2
Enica Ragbelle	Alton	62	6.2
Enica Ragbelle	Alton	62	6.2
Enica Ragbelle	Alton	62	6.2
Enica Ragbelle	Alton	62	6.2
Enica Ragbelle	Alton	62	6.2
Enica Ragbelle	Alton	62	6.2
Enica Ragbelle	Alton	62	6.2

Metro East Statistics Blocked Shot Leaders			
Name	School	Bks	Ave.
Enica Ragbelle	Alton	11	1.1
Enica Ragbelle	Alton	11	1.1
Enica Ragbelle	Alton	11	1.1
Enica Ragbelle	Alton	11	1.1
Enica Ragbelle	Alton	11	1.1
Enica Ragbelle	Alton	11	1.1
Enica Ragbelle	Alton	11	1.1
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## Boys basketball leaders

BOYS BASKETBALL Metro East Statistics Scoring Leaders			
Name	School	Pts	Ave.
Danica Miles	West	249	22.6
Terrell Taylor	Carthage	249	22.6
Terrell Taylor	Carthage	249	22.6
Terrell Taylor	Carthage	249	22.6
Terrell Taylor	Carthage	249	22.6
Terrell Taylor	Carthage	249	22.6
Terrell Taylor	Carthage	249	22.6
Terrell Taylor	Carthage	249	22.6
Terrell Taylor	Carthage	249	22.6
Terrell Taylor	Carthage	249	22.6

Metro East Statistics Assist Leaders			
Name	School	Asst	Ave.
Danica Miles	West	24	2.4
Danica Miles	West	24	2.4
Danica Miles	West	24	2.4
Danica Miles	West	24	2.4
Danica Miles	West	24	2.4
Danica Miles	West	24	2.4
Danica Miles	West	24	2.4
Danica Miles	West	24	2.4
Danica Miles	West	24	2.4
Danica Miles	West	24	2.4

Metro East Statistics Steal Leaders			
Name	School	Stls	Ave.
Danica Miles	West	24	2.4
Danica Miles	West	24	2.4
Danica Miles	West	24	2.4
Danica Miles	West	24	2.4
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Danica Miles	West	24	2.4
Danica Miles	West	24	2.4

Metro East Statistics Rebound Leaders			
Name	School	Reb	Ave.
Danica Miles	West	24	2.4
Danica Miles	West	24	2.4
Danica Miles	West	24	2.4
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Danica Miles	West	24	2.4
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Danica Miles	West	24	2.4
Danica Miles	West	24	2.4
Danica Miles	West	24	2.4

Metro East Statistics Blocked Shot Leaders			
Name	School	Bks	Ave.
Danica Miles	West	24	2.4
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## Prep basketball standings

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GIRLS BASKETBALL				Belleville West		2-3	5
Cahokia Conference				Granite City		1-4	3
League				Altam		0-4	3
Team	W-L	Overall		Mississippi Valley Conference			
Carlyle	6-0	10-1		League	W-L	Overall	
Brense Central	3-3	6-3		Team	W-L		
Crestview	1-1	7-5		Altam	4-0	5-0	5
Frederburg	1-3	6-12		Carlyle	1-1	1-1	1
Lebanon	0-0	0-0		Granville	2-2	2-2	2
Maple	0-3	7-6		Maplewood	2-2	2-2	2
Deer Creek	1-3	5-7		Marion	1-2	2-1	2
Hugo	0-3	7-6		Bethalto Civic Memorial	1-2	2-1	2
Highland	1-3	5-7		Waterloo	0-5	1-1	1
New Athens	0-2	6-8					
Southwestern Conference				Independents			
Team	League	Overall		Team	W-L		
Collinsville	4-0	14-1		Cabull	5-2	2-2	2
Collinsville East	4-1	5-2		Altam	1-1	1-1	1
East St. Louis	2-1	2-5		Maplewood	1-1	1-1	1
Edwardsville	2-2	6-2					

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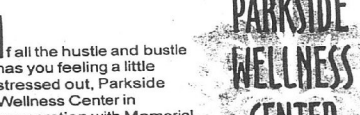
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## Sports

# Kahoks lend hand with time management

## Collinsville High takes part in experiment as IHSA shoots for improvement in running prep game clock

By Brian Bretsch  
Staff writer

Collinsville High is experimenting with a new system this season that puts control of the game clock in the hands of the officiating crew rather than a person at the scorer's table.

The Illinois High School Association is considering using at the Class AA and A state tournament games this winter.

Basically, what it is, "The referees wear a little pack on their waist with an antenna," Collinsville coach Bob Bone explained. "There is a microphone hooked to their whistle, it automatically blows the clock. There is a control panel with an antenna that hooks into our clock on the table. It automatically stops and they start it again from the little packet they wear on their belts."

All three (or two referees) can start it and all three can stop it. Our timer is now just the backup. If one of them would forget to start it or if something would go wrong with the system, it can still be started and stopped from the bench."

Marty Hickman, assistant executive director of the Illinois High School Association, talked with Bone in the fall about testing the new system for the IHSA. Bone said, to his knowledge, no other school in the state is testing the unit.

A company in North Carolina has loaned the \$5,000 timing system to Collinsville through the end of the Collinsville High/Schnucks Holiday Classic, which begins Tuesday and ends Dec. 30.

If the IHSA eventually requires all sanctioned schools to use the system, Bone hopes the price is more affordable. "We probably won't purchase one right away, but thus far it seems to be

working really well," Bone said. "They are using it in the NBA this year. I think they are using it in the ACC and Big 12 (conferences). It really hasn't got down to the high school level."

Todd Cress, a local referee who was one of the three officials to use the new system on Dec. 10, when the Kahoks hosted Edwardsville, liked the idea of placing full control of the game clock into the officials' hands.

"What the IHSA is trying to do from an official's standpoint, is to take away the home clock edge," Cress said. "Every single game there is a problem with the clock. It is always when they start the clock (at key moments in the end of the game)."

"The thing is foolproof. The only refinement is not having a wire that runs from a pager-type thing on your waist to the end of the whistle. It slips off. That was the only problem. If they go wireless, it would be foolproof. All

three of us (last Friday) found the clock works better when we control it."

Bone agrees that officials should be in control of the game clock.

"What happens in game situations is more magnified when people don't think the timer starts the clock in time or doesn't stop it in time," Bone said. "There is a lot more, I guess, some times for criticism. This system hopes to eliminate that problem."

Officials still must make the judgment call on whether a shot was released before the buzzers at the end of quarters.

Collinsville was involved in a controversial and legendary prep play in the 1997-98 season when Kevin Ashbrook's 70-footer at the buzzer helped the Kahoks beat previously unbeaten Edwardsville 40-39 in a Class AA sectional semifinal game.

"I don't know if a play like that would be affected because all you have at the end of the game is a horn," Bone said. "The referee really doesn't blow a whistle. It is more in terms of starting the clock and then if you have a foul situation, the clock stops immediately. You don't even have the split-second

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Todd Cress  
Local referee

delay that it takes the timer to hear the whistle and then hit the stop button on the clock. Even in ideal situations, you are probably gaining a-tenth, two-tenths of a second."

Cress added that in some local gymnasiums, the timer has troubles seeing the referee. The system would eliminate those headaches.

They are at a position on the floor where the can't always see us to stop the clock," Cress said. "They are looking for the top of hand to come down. How do they know we aren't scratching our backs. This puts it in our hands as soon as it hits the floor or another player's hands."

## Sophs have success after setback in opener

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"We had two good quarterbacks," Garland said. "Pat Meuren filled in at the beginning of the year and did a great job. Then eventually we got Ted Wallace back after he came back from an injury. He came back and did an outstanding job. We had two quarterbacks and we would use them both, rotate them in. Both of them did a great job."

"We never had the same offensive line. It seemed like there were always a lot of guys rotating in as the year went on. The varsity coaches wanted to see a lot of our kids, so they would move them up there in practice and work with them all week. So we never

knew from day to day what personnel we were going to have until that Friday before our game. It is a credit to those kids to stay together as a team and remember all the plays and know their assignments. One week they could be at offensive guard, and the next week they may be at tight end. I think that is why they were so successful."

Granite used the Southwestern Conference title by beating all their SVC foes. In the process, they got prepared for a varsity future which looks to be all systems go.

"Jake Janek was a big player who (varsity head) Coach (Nick) Petrillo pulled up and he started some games," Garland said. "Coach Petrillo got a look at some of the

other guys. He pulled Ted up and looked at him for a while. Guys went back-and-forth for a while because obviously varsity is No. 1. We have to prepare them first and the underclass team is just to play games and get ready for the next level."

"We run the same system as the varsity runs. We teach the kids exactly what the varsity will teach them, but the varsity will obviously add a little more when they get to the next level. But they have the basics, they have all the fundamentals, and they are ready now to move to that next level. Your sophomore year is still a learning experience, you are still learning the game of football."

## Warriors blanked against Alton Marquette

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in the Northern Division. "Teams rise and fall," Solberger said. "They hit their peaks, and you try to be consistent and steady throughout the season, but you are going to have your highs and lows. Teams come out and win games 7 or 8-0, and the next game they get beat. But we'll come back and regroup. We'll be fine. We'll get the work ethic back."

The Warriors are off for the Christmas break, then return home to face Belleville West next Wednesday.

"We'll come out after them," Solberger said. "Belleville West is a physical team, but when we skate there is no way they can catch us. They don't have anybody who can contain Dustin Wesley or Luke Forester with their speed. They sure don't have anybody who can hold back our top line. We are looking to get scoring back all across the board."

"We have had a tough schedule. We have come through some tough games in the last few weeks. Now we get a chance to go in the (Southern) Division, and we needed that."

## Meszaros aims for MVCHA championship

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to get 30 points this year. But if I don't score another point all season, and we win the championship, that's good enough for me."

Solberger realizes the senior forward shoulders a tremendous load but said Meszaros takes it all in stride. "Bobby has a lot of pressure with teams shadowing him," Solberger said. "It gets frustrat-

ing for him at times and they try to suck him into taking stupid penalties. But with his experience, he is not going to let that happen. He is not going to play down to their level and get sucked into that trap."

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## Entertainment

# 'Ripley's Believe It or Not' series explores Alton Giant saga

By Dave Whaley  
Staff writer

The Man of Steel soon will meet the Gentle Giant. That's not a World Championship Wrestling match coming up on pay-per-view. Instead, it will be part of a new "Ripley's Believe It or Not" television series on the TBS network. A film crew was at the Alton Museum of History and Art on Friday to film a segment about Alton's most famous native, Robert Wadlow.

Although he wasn't in town for the taping, Dean Cain will be the host of the series, which will debut Jan. 12. Cain

is best known for portraying Superman in the recent "The Adventures of Lois and Clark." The film crew actually consisted of director Tony Virga, who's based in Los Angeles, along with a cameraman and sound man from St. Louis. Mary Ann Warmack, coordinator of the Alton Museum, was interviewed for the television show, along with Dr. Joseph Paone and Gene Crivello.

"The story of Robert is a real 'believe it or not' type of thing," Virga said. "We'll try to do it in a way that is respectful of everyone involved. One thing we will talk about is why Robert will likely always be



Telegraph photo

Wadlow towers over his graduating class of 1936 classmates at Alton High School.

the tallest person ever." That's where Paone, an Alton vascular surgeon, came in. He talked on camera about Wadlow's overactive pituitary gland and how that likely would be treated at an early age today.

"We believe he will always remain the tallest person in recorded history," Paone said. "The only way that might change is if someone in a backward part of the world grew to that height and didn't get any kind of treatment."

There likely will be little on the show that those who are familiar with Wadlow's story won't already know. Warmack spoke at length about Wadlow's life, which is almost second nature to her as the tour guide of the museum.

"They spend a lot of time here shooting, and very little of it will actually be shown on

television," Warmack said. "But it's still great for Alton and for the museum that national television would come here to do something."

Crivello knew Wadlow personally and often goes out into the community to tell the story of his friend, who grew to be 8 feet, 11.1 inches tall before his death at age 22 in 1940.

Virga and his crew also shot footage at Wadlow's statue across College Avenue from the museum and at Wadlow's grave at the Upper Alton Cemetery.

"It's good to get the community involved," Warmack said. "Schwegel's donated two grave blankets for the grave just for this."

Virga said the Wadlow feature would not run during the Jan. 12 episode but likely would appear several weeks later.



Alton museum photos

Top, Wadlow sits with his mother. Bottom, Wadlow stands by his car in front of Alton High School.

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There's a strong chance you will form an alliance in the year ahead with a person who views life differently from you, yet it will be the perfect balance for working successfully together.  
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Take extra pains to be

tactful and diplomatic today no matter how much in a hurry you might be. If you are too blunt or frank, you could ignite some real sparks by tried people.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) This could be a day when jobs you've been sweeping under the rug may rear their ugly heads, revealing a large pile of neglected duties that will haunt you until they're done.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Try to avoid involvements today with groups, cliques or gatherings that contain persons you dislike. Things could happen now that wouldn't ordinarily occur.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) It may well be the fault of the holiday season, but regardless of this fact, if your performance has not been up to standards, your boss may not take

kindly to it.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) People in general could be more defensive than usual today, so avoid topics of conversation such as politics or religion when out in public. Keep the issues light and breezy.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Try not to take on any greater financial obligations when shopping today than you can comfortably manage in the future. What looks jolly now could look gloomy later.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) If you don't take on the responsibility for making any decisions today that involve others, someone else may jump in and make one for you that you don't like. Don't be wishy-washy.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Have both method and motive

in mind today before you approach your work if you hope to be productive and get things done in as timely a fashion as you would like them to be.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) It would be a mistake today to put yourself in a minority position that would make you feel impelled to defend. Try to go with the flow and don't buck the majority.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Be tenacious and persistent if you hope to achieve your objectives today. If you're not, chances are you may get close to your goals without attaining any.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Positions with which others might have been in accord yesterday could now be challenged by them for no visible reason. Trying to force them to comply would only make matters worse.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Let's hope you have your Christmas shopping done today, because in your haste to get it accomplished, your vision could be blurred as to what is truly of real value.

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## Births

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**MARIO AND CHRISTINA BARRERA** of Madison have announced the birth of their third child, a son.

Jenaro Joel Barrera was born at 11:30 a.m. Nov. 4, 1999, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. He weighed 8 pounds, 5 ounces, and joins Ruben and Mario.

His maternal grandparents are Jose and Roseann Vasquez of Caseyville.

Paternal grandparents are Jose and Belen Barrera of Fairmont City.

### Branden VanMeter

**JOSEPH AND ANNA VAN METER** of Granite City have announced the birth of their first child, a son.

Branden Joseph VanMeter was born at 4:35 p.m. Nov. 8, 1999, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. He weighed 6 pounds, 14 ounces.

His maternal grandparents are Michael and Twila Ross of Granite City.

Paternal grandparents are Iya VanMeter of Granite City and the late Raymond VanMeter.

### Ashlynn Hannon

**BRAD AND HEATHER HANNON** of Granite City have announced the birth of their second child, a daughter.

Ashlynn Taylor Hannon was born at 9:20 a.m. Nov. 9, 1999, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. She weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces, and joins Mikayla.

Her maternal grandparents are Rager and Yvonne Hayes of Granite City.

Paternal grandparents are James Hannon of Birmingham, Ala., and Sharon Ramsey of Dallas, Texas.

### Courtney Genovese

**FRANK AND SONIA GENOVESE** of Granite City have announced the birth of their third child, a daughter.

Courtney Jane Genovese was born at 7:52 a.m. Nov. 9, 1999, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. She weighed 5 pounds, 15 ounces, and joins Ashley and Brittany.

Her maternal grandmother is Janet Denson of Granite City.

Paternal grandparents are Richard and Elizabeth Genovese of Granite City.

### Katherine Snyder

**DANIEL AND JLYNN SNYDER** of Laura have announced the birth of their second child, a daughter.

Katherine Margaret Snyder was born Nov. 19, 1999, at Revere Hospital. She weighed 9 pounds, 3 ounces, and joins Emily.

Her maternal grandparents are James Hankins of Granite City and Sheri Eggert of Pontoon Beach.

Maternal great-grandparents are Charles and Lois Hansen of Granite City.

Paternal grandparents are Carl and Gerlie Snyder of Peoria.

### Mystie Tackett

**BENJAMIN AND MISTY TACKETT** of Granite City have announced the birth of their first child, a daughter.

Mystie Cloe Danielle Tackett was born at 12:34 p.m. Nov. 19, 1999, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. She weighed 7 pounds, 7 ounces.

Her maternal grandparents are Glen and Alma Hisinger of Granite City.

Paternal grandparents are James and Agnes Haney of Salem, Ky.

### Viktoria Johnson

**VICTOR AND CONSTANCE JOHNSON** of Madison have announced the birth of their third child, a daughter.

Viktoria Rayel Johnson was born at 8:24 a.m. Nov. 19, 1999, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. She weighed 8 pounds, 14 ounces, and joins Ronnell and Jacquiline.

Her maternal grandparents are James and Barbara Norris of Chicago.

Paternal grandparents are Trudy and Sadie Fountain.

### Gerri Marion

**BROCK AND JUANA MARION** of Granite City have announced the birth of their first child, a daughter.

Gerri LeAnna Marion was born at 8:16 a.m. Nov. 20, 1999, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. She weighed 6 pounds, 5 ounces.

Her maternal grandparents are Jerry and Bernice Thiessen of Pontoon Beach.

Paternal grandparents are Michael and Cynthia Johnson of Waynesville, Mo.

### Vandy Sirimanatham

**VONA AND KATHY SIRIMANTHAM** of Granite City have announced the birth of their fourth child, a daughter.

Vandy Sirimanatham was born at 1:39 p.m. Nov. 23, 1999, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. She weighed 6 pounds, 5 ounces, and joins Daniel, Khone and Heng.

Her maternal grandparents are Judy Daniels of Granite City and the late Waymon Daniels.

Paternal grandparents are Poe Loungnath of Vientiane, Laos, and the late Vandy Sirimanatham.

### Brady Harshany

**BRIAN AND JENNIFER HARSHANY** of Pontoon Beach have announced the birth of their first child, a son.

Brady James Harshany was born at 9:23 a.m. Nov. 26, 1999, at Christian Hospital Northwest in St. Louis. He weighed 8 pounds, 6 ounces.

His maternal grandparents are Deney and Barb Moniz of Granite City.

Paternal grandparents are Jim and Nancy Harshany.

### Quinton Lawrence

**QUINTON LAWRENCE AND MELISSA LONG** of Granite City have announced the birth of their first child, a son.

Quinton James Ray Lawrence was born at 7:47 a.m. Nov. 29, 1999, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. He weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces.

His maternal grandparents are Jim Long of Glen Carbon and Denise Ball of Granite City.

Paternal grandparents are Bobby and Hilda Lawrence of St. Louis.

### Joseph Moslander

**JOE AND KIM MOSLANDER** of Granite City have announced the birth of their fourth child, a son.

Joseph Michael Moslander was born at 2:08 a.m. Nov. 30, 1999, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. He weighed 9 pounds, 1 ounce, and joins Maria, Chris and Tommy.

His maternal grandmother is Barbara Burrow of Bald Knob, Ark. Paternal grandparents are Tom and Mary Ann Moslander of Granite City.

### Sarah-May Horner

**CRAIG AND ANGELA HORNER** of Granite City have announced the birth of their second child, a daughter.

Sarah-May Louise Horner was born at 3:03 p.m. Dec. 5, 1999, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. She weighed 5 pounds, 11 ounces, and joins Brandie.

Her paternal grandparents are Charles Horner of Salisbury, N.C., and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Schiede of Granite City.

### Brooke Merchant

**BOBBY MERCHANT AND THERESA NEISZ** of Granite City have announced the birth of their second child, a daughter.

Brooke Nichol Merchant was born at 11:32 a.m. Dec. 9, 1999, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. She weighed 6 pounds, 7 ounces, and joins Bobbie Jo.

### Holly Carter

**STEVE AND MELISSA CARTER** of Granite City have announced the birth of their first child, a daughter.

Holly Marie Carter was born at 8:32 p.m. Dec. 9, 1999, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. She weighed 6 pounds, 7 ounces.

Her maternal grandparents are Amos and Janice Johnson of Granite City.

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### ACTIVITIES

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Back on the home front, everyone may be winding down from the hectic pace of the holidays, but there are still a few items that shouldn't be overlooked. And one is caring for the Christmas poinsettias, and any other houseplants, for that matter.

Poinsettias should be watered when the top of the soil feels dry to the touch. They should be checked daily for moisture. Make sure the plant isn't sitting in water, remove any excess water and make sure the drainage holes aren't blocked.

Keep poinsettias comfortable. Check the area for drafts of either hot or cold air. The temperature should remain around 60° to 70°F. Keep the plant away from heat sources such as heat vents.

Other houseplants should not be neglected, either. Test them for water by simply sticking your finger into the soil. If it feels moist, the plant doesn't need water. If the soil is dry and doesn't stick to your finger, water the plant.

**Fresh Tree Care**  
It's easy to have a tendency to forget the Christmas tree after the big day. But fresh-cut trees still need to be watered every day. They must never be allowed to dry out.

Keep the tree stand full at all times, and while you're at it, check the tree for dryness. If the needles bend, but don't snap in two, the tree is still okay.

However, if the needles are brittle and snap off easily, the tree is much too dry. If that's the case, we recommend removing it from the house. It may be a little early for many people, but safety is of utmost importance.

If you forgot to purchase a tree removal bag, it's not too late. Although it's easier to place the bag before you put the tree up, it's not that tough to do it afterward.

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# Careers in design

College offers programs in expanding field of interior decoration

By Barbara Ponder  
Correspondent

Space is the final frontier for some students at Patricia Stevens College in downtown St. Louis.

But the space these students explore is earthbound, existing in homes, offices and other places where people congregate.

Ginger Richmond, the head instructor in the interior design department at Patricia Stevens, describes interior design as creative and analytical.

"It's like working a puzzle," she said. "I like the thought processes of space planning and solving the problem. It goes beyond color and decorating."

The college, founded in 1947, has a one-year diploma and an 18-month associate's degree in applied science.

The program draws recent high school graduates as well as individuals seeking career changes.

"I think what attracts people first is it (interior design) looks fun," Richmond said.

Among the courses Patricia Stevens offers are blueprint construction and design, computer-aided drafting and design practice.

The program features guest speakers and an annual trip to Chicago, a major U.S. design center. During the trip, students tour the Merchandise Mart and visit furniture manufacturers, lighting companies and other businesses.

Students are required to work in at least one internship, which the college helps them locate, and most students perform several internships to sample different areas of design.

The diploma program targets students who plan to work in the

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residential market and focuses primarily on interior decorating.

The associate's degree program covers all aspects of interior design including space planning and state and federal requirements, such as the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities.

An associate's degree qualifies a person to fill entry level positions, like assistant designer.

Richmond attributes the popularity of the profession to its creative nature and to the wide range of opportunities.

"I did display houses for a long time," she said. "There are so many different ways you can take it (interior design)."

Each of the interior design instructors at Patricia Stevens works in the field.

Richmond, who holds a master's degree in environmental sciences from Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, founded Designare Inc. about 10 years ago. The company has provided services to a number of healthcare facilities, including Metro Imaging.

Richmond began teaching at the college about three years ago. Her students have gone on to specialize in a variety of design fields, including healthcare and hospitality.

The college boasts a 97 per-

cent placement rate.

"Since I've been here, the only people we haven't placed were moving and didn't want to be placed," Richmond said. "We have positions on the board now that are open."

Entry level positions for individuals holding an associate's degree, such as design assistant, typically provide starting salaries of \$18,000 to \$21,000.

The duties of design assistant or junior designer may include creating and delivering client presentations, selecting and ordering supplies, and completing paperwork.

Salaries for experienced designers usually top out at about \$40,000.

"If they start their own business, then that (income) would be up to them, depending on how hard they want to work," Richmond said.

Missouri in 1998 became the 21st state to pass a law regulating the interior design profession. The Missouri Coalition for Design, on which Richmond serves, is developing the registration program.

Under the law, the standards for registration are: successful completion of the National Council for Interior Design Qualification exam; at least two years of education; and a combination of education and experience totaling six years.

Continuing education is required



Ginger Richmond is head instructor of the interior design department at Patricia Stevens College.

to maintain registration. Richmond said employers benefit from memberships in professional organizations, like the American Society of Interior Design or International Interior

Design Association, because they offer networking and educational opportunities.

Patricia Stevens houses a student chapter of the American Society of Interior Designers.

The chapter is redecorating the bedrooms at Shelter the Children in South St. Louis.

The facility serves homeless girls, ages 16 to 21, who are attending high school.

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## Felonies

The following felonies were recently filed in the Third Circuit Court in Madison County:

**Anthony A. Brown, 20**, was charged with unlawful possession of cannabis with intent to deliver for an incident Dec. 17 by the Granite

City Police Department. Brown allegedly had more than 10 grams but less than 30 grams of a substance containing cannabis. His bond was set at \$25,000.

**George F. Hubert, 38**, was charged with driving under the influ-

ence of alcohol and driving while license was revoked for an incident Dec. 16 by the Granite City Police Department. Hubert allegedly was driving a 1978 Ford pickup truck on East 23rd Street in Granite City while under the influence of alcohol and while his license was revoked for a previous conviction of driving under the influence from April 25, 1996. His bond was set at \$20,000.

**Debbie Smith, 40**, was charged with theft of labor or services or use of property for an incident Dec. 1 by the Granite City Police Department. Smith allegedly got a bedroom suite, a television and a video cassette recorder from the National Rent-to-Own in Granite City and failed to return the property. Her bond was set at \$15,000.

**Timothy B. Warren, 21**, was

charged with domestic battery (second subsequent offense) for an incident Dec. 12 by the Granite City Police Department. Warren allegedly hit a member of his household on the hand with a bludgeon, having been previously convicted of domestic battery. His bond was set at \$30,000.

**Debra A. Pritchett, 48**, was charged with theft over \$300 for an incident Oct. 29 by the Granite City Police Department. Pritchett allegedly took \$984 cash from the Nameoki United Methodist Church in Granite City. Her bond was set at \$10,000.

**Christopher Lee Steadman, 17**, and **Jason David Pinder, 18**, were charged with burglary for an incident Nov. 23 by the Collinsville Police Department. They paid allegedly entered a 1998 Chevrolet in Collinsville with the intent to commit theft. Bond for each was set at \$40,000.

**Orlando B. Buckels, 37**, was charged with retail theft under \$150 (second subsequent offense) for an incident Dec. 15 by the Granite City Police Department. Buckels allegedly took nine videocassettes and clothing from the K-Mart store in Granite City, having been convicted of the same charge Oct. 20, 1998. His bond was set at \$25,000.

**Anthony S. Kerley, 29**, was charged with obstructing justice for an incident Dec. 14 by the Edwardsville Police Department. Kerley allegedly gave false identification information in order to avoid prosecution. His bond was set at \$25,000.

**William T. Burney, 18**, was charged

with failure to report an accident involving personal injury or death for an incident Oct. 21 by the Granite City Police Department. Burney allegedly failed to stop his vehicle after an accident at an alley in the 2300 block of Missouri Avenue in Granite City that injured a pedestrian. He also failed to report the accident within one hour as required by law. His bond was set at \$50,000.

**Hope Blair Kurtz, 18**, was charged with unlawful possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver for an incident Aug. 5 by the Granite City Police Department. Kurtz allegedly had more than one gram but less than 15 grams of a substance containing cocaine. Her bond was set at \$15,000.

**Hope Blair Kurtz, 18**, was charged with unlawful delivery of a controlled substance for an incident Aug. 5 by the Granite City Police Department. Kurtz allegedly delivered less than one gram of a substance containing cocaine to two different individuals. Her bond was set at \$50,000.

**Adame E. Dunnivant, 19**, was charged with unlawful possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver for an incident July 25 by the Granite City Police Department. Dunnivant allegedly had less than five grams of a substance containing methamphetamine. His bond was set at \$50,000.

**Christopher S. Ireland, 26**, was charged with unlawful possession of a controlled substance for an incident June 12 by the Granite City Police Department. Ireland allegedly had less than 15 grams of a substance containing cocaine. His bond was set at \$15,000.

**Orlando B. Buckels, 37**, was charged with retail theft under \$150 for an incident Dec. 15 by the Granite City Police Department. Buckels allegedly took six videocassette tapes from the Wal-Mart store in Granite City, having a previous conviction for the same charge from Oct. 20, 1998. His bond was set at \$25,000.

**Billy R. Smith, 20**, was charged with retail theft under \$150 (second subsequent offense) for an incident Nov. 21 by the Edwardsville Police Department. Smith allegedly took gasoline without paying for it from the Amoco Quick Six in Edwardsville, having a previous conviction of the same charge from Feb. 2, 1999. His bond was set at \$25,000.

**Jack W. Maxwell, 37**, was charged with burglary for an incident Dec. 8 by the Madison County Sheriff's Department. Maxwell allegedly entered a building on Nameoki Road in Granite City with the intent to commit theft. His bond was set at \$25,000.

**Randall J. Hoyer, 22**, was charged with retail theft under \$150 (second subsequent offense) for an incident Nov. 18 by the Collinsville Police Department. Hoyer allegedly took an 18-pack of Budweiser beer from the Amoco Food Shop in Collinsville. His bond was set at \$15,000.

**Jack L. Bench, 24**, was charged with unlawful delivery of a controlled substance for an incident April 1 by the Metropolitan Enforcement Group of Southwestern Illinois. Bench allegedly had more than one gram but less than 15 grams of a substance containing cocaine. His bond was set at \$75,000.

**Bradley M. Pierson, 19**, was charged with unlawful possession of a controlled substance for an incident Dec. 10 by the Troy Police Department. Pierson allegedly had less than 200 grams of a substance containing psilocybin. His bond was set at \$15,000.

**Troy F. Carlton, 24**, was charged with retail theft under \$150 (second subsequent offense) for an incident Dec. 7 by the Madison County Sheriff's Department. Carlton allegedly took two 18-packs of Budweiser beer from the Raceway Gas & Food Mart in Collinsville, having a previous conviction of the same charge from Oct. 6, 1997. His bond was set at \$25,000.

**Thomas E. Garrett Jr., 37**, was charged with unlawful possession of an Illinois vehicle registration sticker for an incident Dec. 12 by the Madison County Sheriff's Department. Garrett allegedly had the sticker without authorization. His bond was set at \$10,000.

**Marshall D. Bradley, 32**, was charged with two counts of unlawful possession of a controlled substance for an incident Sept. 23 by the Metropolitan Enforcement Group of Southwestern Illinois. Bradley allegedly had less than 10 grams of a substance containing heroin and less than 15 grams of a substance containing cocaine. His bond was set at \$25,000.

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